

**City of McCall**  
**McCall Improvement Committee**  
**November 10, 2005**

**Call to Order**

Curt Spalding called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

*Attendees*

Curt Spalding  
Jenny Winkeller  
Dawn Griffin  
Herb Schneider  
Carolyn Trino  
Judy McGuire  
Cathy Jasperson  
Chuck Griffin  
Jean Odmark  
Terry Avitable  
Michelle Groenevelt (City staff)

***Minutes***

There was a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 13, 2005. Chuck seconded the motion; the motion carried.

***Reports***

*Fundraising Report*

The Valentine's Day dance is planned for the Saturday before Valentine's Day (February 11, 2006). The band is Rockin' Roosters, decorations include balloons, and Si Buenos will cater the food.

Terry discussed auction items. There are 10 'big ticket' items which may include tri-pass for skiing, 5 day raft trip, Rockin' Roosters donated 4 hours of music, and a restaurant/hotel/ski package. Don is working on jet boat item and a timeshare. Shorty Clark donated a dinner for 8-10 people at the North Fork Lodge. The items should be published before the party to attract more people. A number of lower priced items would allow more people to participate in contributing to the event.

Terry showed the invitation which has changed from red to pink this year. Last year 300 invitations were sent out but the maximum for the party this is 150 people due to dance floor space.

Rockin' Roosters need ½ of the deposit (\$350). The group authorized payment from the "MIC General" line item in MCIC's account.

Judy M. suggested that businesses decorate each table w/Valentine's theme and put their name on the table. There was much discussion about this idea and the group agreed it was a good idea. Judy will contact local businesses.

Curt asked if there will be digital photographs of couples. It was suggested that the new photo shop may want to participate in this activity.

#### *South Corridor Block Grant*

Karl would like a Chamber of Commerce letter of support (Carol), MIC letter of support, and business support (Bonnie and Judy). Curt circulated MIC's letter and will provide to Karl. MIC members should attend City Council meeting tonight. The deadline for the grant is next Tuesday.

#### *"Shortcut" Statue update*

Curt read the update from Judy Drake. The statue was crated and should be delivered to Franking Building supply next week. It will stay there until it is ready to install (most likely next year.)

#### *Totem Pole Statue*

Judy M. and Chuck went to see the totem pole; photos circulated. The artist has painted it and will add wings. Chuck gave some history of Native Americans who used to camp in town. Chuck will find out more from the historical society. Judy would like MIC to be sensitive about the appropriateness and historic and cultural accuracy of this piece of art. Don will research the use of "war paint" and consult w/American Indian Tribes of this area. This will be on next month's agenda.

#### *Task Force Reports*

West Corridor 'Welcome to McCall' sign. The old site is not feasible. Nancy is looking into alternative sites and ownership. The best site appears to be land owned by the King's Pines HOA on the north side of the highway. Cathy lives in the subdivision and will talk to the association. Don, Chuck, and Cathy will stake the proposed area where sign would be located. The sign would be the same but may be smaller than the south entrance sign. Curt requested that members drive past to look at the location and consider the following items:

1. Visibility
2. Shade
3. Snow plowing
4. 2 sided

Members are encouraged to call Jean Odmark (634-5079) with their evaluation of the staked location.

Curt shared information about the EPA Smart Growth charette. The result is a conceptual plan for the Lardo and West Valley areas. The results and materials are available on the City of McCall website.

There was much discussion about the 50 foot height limit. Concern was expressed about the height limit especially on the lakefront. MIC would like to voice their opinion once they have more information about the issue. Michelle was requested to e-mail the minutes from the Planning and Zoning Commission, table with building heights from like communities, and eligible parcels map. This issue will be on next month's agenda.

#### *Other updates*

News from Bonnie: The 'Welcome to McCall' sign has been stained, and the surrounding area has been hydro seeded--twice (due to tire marks). Curt was given a bill for the hydro seed. The group authorized payment. Bonnie is still working to get water at the site.

Chamber of Commerce used LOT (local option tax) money to purchase 50,000 lights and snowflakes for street lamps. The goal is to have 1 million lights in town. They asked for \$1000 from MIC to upgrade Arts Roberts Park holiday tree from 100 amps to 200 amps. There was much discussion about if this was a necessary expense.

Terry made a motion to donate \$1000 for electrical work. Dawn seconded the motion; motion carried.

A new member of MIC then donated \$500 toward the \$1000. Therefore, a new motion was made. Due to the generosity, MIC will donate \$500 from the "MIC General" line item, to provide the difference needed to upgrade the electrical work at Art Roberts Park. Jean Odmark seconded the motion; motion carried.

*Set December meeting date*

MIC will meet on December 8 at noon. December 15 is tentatively set as a work session, if needed.

*Nominee Committee*

Chuck made a motion to create a nominee committee to answer the following questions:

1. What MIC offices need to be filled?
2. What are the names of the candidates?

Herb seconded the motion; the motion carried. The MIC will decide on the nominee committee next meeting and talk about membership improvement (on next agenda). It was suggested that old members be recruited for the nominee committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 pm.

Attest:

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Michelle Groenevelt  
Community Planner

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Curt Spalding  
MIC Chairperson

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Date

